COMMUNICATION No. 3 TO PARTICIPANTS BY EMAIL – 13 October 2026

IFCA International Conference "Catholic Action: Synodality and Mission" | Rome, 15–18 October 2026

Dear Participants,

below you will find the latest updates ahead of the Conference. We kindly ask you to share them with all the members of your delegation.

1. Let us pray for Pope Leo XIV

On Saturday 17 October, an Audience with His Holiness Pope Leo XIV was planned for the participants in the International Conference and the IX Assembly of IFCA. We have changed the programme: at 11:30 we will pray, with Eucharistic adoration, for the health of Pope Leo XIV and for his Petrine ministry, together with the whole Church, and in particular for his journey to Latin America.

As he has asked us, we will be close to him spiritually.

2. Revised and updated programme

Here you can find the Conference programme, revised and updated on 13 October 2026:

https://www.catholicactionforum.org/congresses/catholic-action-synodality-and-mission/

3. Conversation in the Spirit

Attached you will find a presentation of the methodology for the language-group work on Friday morning, 16 October. You will receive your group number at the welcome desk (see point 5).

4. Communications during the Conference

During the Conference, notices will be published daily on this page of the website and also announced from the microphone in the hall:

https://www.catholicactionforum.org/congresses_posts/information-for-participants/

For the most urgent notices, a WhatsApp group will also be active. You can join it through this link:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/DrMI83anJKl0tDAbxzLZhr?mode=gi_t

The group will be closed at the end of the Conference.

5. Welcome desk

The welcome desk will be open on **Thursday 15 October, from 13:00 to 15:45**, in the hotel lobby, in front of the "V. Bachelet" Auditorium, at TH Carpegna Palace / Domus Mariae.

Once your registration has been checked, you will receive your badge, your folder and your group number for the Conversation in the Spirit.

6. Administrative office

The administrative office will be available for:

- payment of the annual IFCA membership fee;
- payment of the Conference participation fee, for those who have not yet paid (cash and card);
- reimbursements for participants supported through the funding projects.

Opening hours:

- Wednesday 14 October: from 15:00 to 17:00
- Thursday 15 October: from 9:00 to 12:00

Place: Offices of Italian Catholic Action, Via Aurelia 481, at the back of the Domus Mariae. We will be waiting for you in room no. 37, near the porter's lodge.

7. Volunteers and Continents Space

Four volunteers, two from Malta and two from Romania, will be with us. They will help in particular with the materials for the coffee breaks and for the Continents Space: you can hand these materials to them at the welcome desk. You will recognise them by their VOLUNTEER badge.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

8. Reminder: Communications No. 1 and No. 2

Please read the previous communications again: they contain practical information that is still valid for your participation in the Conference:

https://www.catholicactionforum.org/congresses_posts/information-for-participants/

Have a good journey, see you in Rome!

With fraternal greetings,
The IFCA Secretariat